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Comments:

Re: U.S. Patent Application No. 09/743,717

Dear Examiner Hoon,

Further to your August 21, 2003 conversation with our office we now enclose a copy of Request for Refund, Amendment and Request for Reconsideration, a copy of French Priority Document No. 2 793 739; and an English-language translation of French Priority Document No. 2 793 739 as filed in the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on May 27, 2003, for the above-identified matter. We also enclose a stamp-dated postcard receipt.

If you have any questions, please feel free to give us a call.

Thank you,

Matthew Stavish

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U.S. Patent Application No.: 09/743,717

Filed: January 16, 2001

Inventor: CHENG et al.

Title: DEVICE FOR DETECTING A PARAMETER ASSOCIATED WITH THE
STATE OF A VEHICLE, ESPECIALLY AN AUTOMOBILE

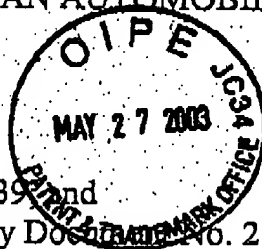
Enclosed:

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In re the Application of:

CHENG et al.

Group Art Unit: 2882

Application No.: 09/743,717

Examiner: Song, K.

Filed: March 13, 2001

Attorney Dkt. No.: 01200.452

Title: DEVICE FOR DETECTING A PARAMETER ASSOCIATED WITH THE
STATE OF A VEHICLE, ESPECIALLY AN AUTOMOBILE

REQUEST FOR REFUNDHonorable Commissioner of Patents
and Trademarks
Washington, DC 20231

May 27, 2003

Sir:

In response to the Final action mailed August 29, 2002, Applicant filed a response and request for reconsideration on January 28, 2003 along with a two-month extension of time and associated \$300.00 fee. On February 27, 2003 Applicant subsequently filed an additional extension of time and notice of appeal including the appeal fee of \$320.00 and \$630.00 (The additional fee associated with the difference between a two month and three month extension of time). However, on that date, no extensions were required, as the Examiner had issued a non-final action dated the same day February 27, 2003. Thus, because no extensions of time were outstanding on February 27, 2003, Applicant is entitled to a refund of \$630.00 the difference between the two month and three month extension of time.

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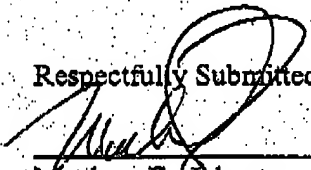
Furthermore, as the Examiner withdrew his rejections of claims 4-11 and 13 under 35 U.S.C. 102 prior to the filing of the notice of appeal Applicant is also entitled to a refund for the notice of appeal in the amount of \$320.00.

Applicant hereby requests a refund in the amount of \$950.00, the cost for the unnecessary three-month extension of time (\$630.00) and the costs associated with filing the notice of appeal (\$320.00).

No extensions are believed necessary for the instant request. However, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge Applicant's representative's charge account 50-0548 for any needed fees.

Should any questions remain please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned at the number listed below.

Respectfully Submitted,


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